

PHILADELPHIA AND REGION ARE MINGLED IN CITY'S 'LOCAL OPTION SUNDAY' Scores of Churches Indulge in Special Hymns and Prayers—Five District Mass Meetings and Many Special Gatherings Held.

Philadelphia mingled politics and religious worship yesterday when "Local Option Sunday" was observed from one end of the city to the other in scores of churches of every denomination. There were local option sermons, local option hymns and local option prayers, and to express the wave of moral sentiment in concrete form, numbers of petitions and resolutions were sent to the various legislators from the Philadelphia districts, urging them to support the William's Local Option bill.

Five district mass-meetings were held during the day, and supplementing these and the church services were special local option meetings by men's brotherhoods, Bible classes and Y. M. C. A.'s. One dominant sentiment ruled them all, praise for Governor Brumbaugh and his insistent demand that Philadelphia's Legislators back him in his fight for local option.

2000 PLEDGE TO FIGHT. The greatest demonstration was in West Philadelphia in the Nixon Theatre, 52d and Market streets, where Magistrate Caron presided. Here 2000 supporters of local option pledged themselves to vote for the defeat of every Legislator from the 17th and 21st districts who does not support the local option measure when it comes to a vote in Harrisburg.

Six members of the Legislature had been invited to attend the demonstration. When the meeting was called to order, seven district chairs on the platform from where these members have been seated. Later Representative William Walsh, of the 21st District, came up from the audience, and a letter was read from Senator Edwin H. Yare, who is unable to attend. But from Representatives John McClintock, J. J. Heffernan, Russell T. Voades and Theodore Campbell not a word was received.

GOVERNOR SENDS TELEGRAM. Governor Brumbaugh himself sent a telegram to Magistrate Caron which was read at the meeting. "My congratulations to the loyal men of Philadelphia and the earnest wish and prayer for the success of the Williams bill," the message read. "It is just and fair and worthy of the open support of every true Pennsylvanian."

Two mass-meetings were held in the northwest. Eight hundred men packed the gymnasium of the North Branch Young Men's Christian Association and unanimously passed resolutions asking the legislators from the 19th district to vote for local option. Dr. L. W. Munnhall, the evangelist in charge of the meeting, Theatre, 25th street and Fletcher avenue, 700 men supported a similar local option resolution.

The Rev. George G. Dowry, general secretary of the County Sunday School Association, addressed the mass-meeting of the 24th Ward and Roxborough Bible classes in the Roxborough Baptist Church. Governor Brumbaugh was supported by a resolution unanimously adopted.

YARE TOO BUSY TO ATTEND. Senator Edwin H. Yare, who had been invited to attend the meeting in the 18th Street Methodist Episcopal Church, 18th and Wharton streets, was unable to attend because of the pressure of work. He sent a letter explaining his absence. More than 200 men from the Bible classes in Fox Chase and Rockledge held a local option rally in the Fox Chase Methodist Episcopal church in the afternoon. In the Glenolite Congregational Church the Rev. William A. Ledlar made an eloquent appeal for all Christian voters to support Governor Brumbaugh in the local option fight. In the Bible class resolution in favor of the Williams bill were unanimously adopted.

WITNESS IN CLAY TRIAL TELLS OF ALTERED PLANS Contractor's Foreman Swears Specifications Were Altered. Actual evidence that specifications were set aside at the contractor's expense for the benefit of the contractor was produced today by Assistant District Attorney Joseph A. Taulane, at the opening of the second week of the trial of former Director Henry Clay, charged with conspiracy of Public Safety, and John R. Wiggins and Willard H. Walls, the contractors.

Through George B. List, who was foreman for Wiggins & Co. in the building of the brick house at 17th and Catherine streets, Taulane brought out that a 18-inch excavation for the foundation of concrete work was ordered by Walls, although the specifications called for 14 inches. The usual technical legal arguments followed and followed this. The witness, George S. Graham, chief counsel for the defense, objected repeatedly to the use of the witness of a diary he produced. List, by the testimony of the witness, said Director Clay had visited the house while the work was going on, but he had not seen him personally. This testimony was ruled out by Judge Ferguson.

THE WEATHER

Official Forecast WASHINGTON, April 12. For Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey: Fair and somewhat colder tonight and Tuesday; fresh west to north-west winds. Showers and thunder storms covered the northeastern portion of the country during the last 24 hours, but the storm center is moving out over the Gulf of St. Lawrence this morning and the rains have ceased at most places. The storm is being followed by an area of high barometer that is central over Minnesota and spreads southward across the central valley to the Gulf coast. Fair weather and lower temperatures prevail within this area, and the advance edge of the cooler area is spreading across the Appalachian Mountains this morning.

CHESTER LED AT REVIVAL SUCCESS Seven Meetings and Demonstration Included in Two Days' Campaign Work.

CHESTER, Pa., April 12.—Supporters of the Nicholson-Heminger revival campaign in this city and temperance workers who joined forces with the revivalists, are congratulating themselves today over the success of the seven big meetings and temperance demonstration which they held Saturday and yesterday and the failure of the "hoose-gang" to interfere with their plans. The most successful of the meetings was that held at the tabernacle yesterday afternoon, when the Rev. William P. Nicholson preached his sermon, "The Saloon, the Human Slaughter House," and moved 3000 men to pledge themselves to fight the liquor traffic "until it is in hell where it belongs." Last night the evangelist preached on "The Judge's Dilemma," winning 40 converts by his appeal and taking opportunity to urge the officials to have attacked his methods of preaching. "If you don't like my method of preaching," he said, "I would refer you to the Bible, and you will find that not a single word that I have used is not taken from the Scriptures. Christ was not a man of 'willy-nilly' words, and if you were a little more familiar with his teaching you would not be so ready to find fault with what I have to say." Among the delegations which will visit the tabernacle this week are representatives of the Norwood Methodist Church and the United Lutheran Church, also from Norwood.

WEST CHESTER OPENS SIX WEEKS' REVIVAL

Charles Grant Jordan, Evangelist, Begins Campaign. WEST CHESTER, Pa., April 12.—Great interest is manifested in this city in a six-weeks' evangelistic revival campaign, which was formally begun yesterday, when 200 persons assembled in a church here to hear the Rev. Charles Grant Jordan and his co-workers, Mrs. Rae Murchie, A. C. Joy and Choir Leader R. E. Mitchell. The dedication service was opened at 10 o'clock in the morning with a song service, assisted by an orchestra of 20 pieces. Short introductory addresses and prayers were offered by the Rev. Dr. W. Laird, of the First Presbyterian Church; the Rev. J. P. Dickson, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church; and Norris R. Slack, chairman of the tabernacle committee.

Nicholson in Collingswood Tonight. COLLINGSWOOD, N. J., April 12.—The Nicholson-Heminger evangelistic party will be in Collingswood tonight and will conduct a meeting in the First Methodist Episcopal Sunday School Temple. The party is expected to attract a large attendance. Indications 1500 persons will crowd into the building. If necessary an overflow meeting will be held in the church auditorium.

STRANDED BRITISH BARK INVERMAY SEEMS DOOMED

Tugs May Attempt to Pull Her Over Bar. MANTOLONGUE BEACH, N. J., April 12.—The stranded bark Invermay, which grounded on the beach in a northerly direction for 500 feet. The life savers believe her only chance lies in the possibility of a high sea within the next few days, or before she is sent to the bottom. The bark was stranded in the morning, and representatives of the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking Company are making arrangements with Captain Lawrence to try to float her by pulling her over the bar. The arrangements are being held up, however, by the inability of Captain Lawrence to get word from her owners, the Inver Lne of Aberdeen, Scotland. When the bark shifted last night her bow swung around until now she is headed toward shore in virtually the same position she held when she grounded, by raising her sails soon after striking, Captain Lawrence managed to swing her bow out toward sea, a position of great advantage in that she is now in a position to be pulled over the bar, but she is now situated that the nearest pulling her off will be carried on under a handicap.

SHIP AND BARGE LOST. SCHOONER Lizzie B. Willey, on Fire, Sinks. WASHINGTON, April 12.—Two vessels were lost off the Atlantic coast yesterday, coast guard headquarters here was advised. The schooner Lizzie B. Willey, of Thomaston, Maine, caught fire and sank, following an explosion, while being towed by the tugboat "Oscar" in Diamond Shoals, where she was in distress to Savannah. No mention was made of her crew.

NEW JERSEY MAY VOTE ON SUFFRAGE OCTOBER 19

State Leaders Set Date for Balloting on Amendment. TRENTON, April 12.—If the decision of State leaders is not changed, October 19 next will be the big day in New Jersey for those who have been fighting for "votes for women." For this is the date, according to the suggestion of Senator William Fielder, of Camden, approved by Governor Fielder and by the wings of both majority and minority parties, that the people of the State will vote on the woman suffrage amendment to the constitution. The bill authorizing the election is being drawn by former Assistant Attorney General Nelson B. Gaskill. The Senator is being drawn on the theory that Senator Hutchinson's home rule amendment, as well as the amendment to elect Assembly members by district will not be passed by the Legislature. Neither the date nor the number of proposed amendments will be definitely fixed in the bill until the last moment.

Governor Fielder Signs Garnishee Act

TRENTON, N. J., April 12.—Governor Fielder has signed the garnishee act which allows a levy for debt of 10 per cent on the wages of persons receiving it a week or more.

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SUPPOSED MYSTERY SOLVED BY ARREST

Young Man Charged With Swindle and Negligence That Nearly Caused Girl's Death. The mystery surrounding a supposed attempted suicide was cleared up and an alleged swindle was disclosed today when Harry Glasberg, 21 years old, 327 Green street, was held in 300 bail for further hearing Sunday by Magistrate McFarland, of the 2d and Christian streets station, on a charge of aggravated assault and battery and criminal negligence. It developed that Glasberg, when he learned that charges would be preferred against him for passing fraudulent checks, removed all the gas fixtures from his butcher-and-grocery store, at 324 Sway for street, Friday, allowing the gas to escape in large volumes. Thirteen-year-old Rose Ross, who lives upstairs, was overcome by gas, and until today it was supposed that she had attempted suicide. She was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital.

Implicated with Glasberg is his partner, Charles Rosenberg, for whom the police are looking. The two men are conducting their business at the 4th street address about a month ago and ordered large quantities of butter and eggs, paying for the consignments with checks drawn on the People's National Bank. They have no account at the bank.

MAY INDICT CHAUFFEUR

Harry Carroll Accused of Causing Boy's Death. Harry Carroll, a chauffeur, of Wharton street near 12th street, will probably be indicted this week in connection with the death of the 12-year-old boy, Roy Scout, who died as a result of being struck in the head with a screwdriver thrown by the man, according to the police. "There's no doubt about it," said the police, "that the boy was struck yesterday from his home. The body and coffin were almost concealed by the floral offerings which had been sent. The young boy was buried with great honors in the cemetery last Monday. A member of Troop No. 120, the Boy Scouts of the Holy Communion Episcopal Church, Stanley and Wharton streets, A. S. B. was in the car with the boy in the car, and was used at the grave in Mount Moriah Cemetery to sound "taps."

POLICE CHRONICLES

"Mistah p'liceman, please kum heah an 'rest ma husband." Margaret Bailey made the request politely, while she held her husband tightly on the corner of 20th and Oxford streets. One hand clutched something in Mistah Bailey's pocket and such was the scene when Policeman Winemore arrived. "Dis man's got \$20 'blongin' to me," said Margaret, "an' he won't git it up."

"How about this?" asked the cop. "I ain't sayin' nuthin' 'till," he replied. "Winemore didn't like the man's attitude and arrested him. But as he placed his hand on the man's shoulder, the man started out toward Oxford street. The cop started after her and made Bailey run with him. She was caught after a short chase.

"There's too much mystery here," said the policeman, and he took Mr. and Mrs. Bailey to the 19th and Oxford streets station. When the couple were brought before Magistrate Morris, Bailey started the proceedings himself with the announcement, "I ain't sayin' nuthin' 'till."

"May be you will say something in a minute," the Magistrate ventured. Margaret was most communicative. "Mistah Bailey's got \$20 'blongin' to me," she declared. "An' he won't give it up."

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THIEVES DON FULL DRESS AND GET AWAY

South Street Merchant Asks Police to Find Two Expensive Customers. Two men in full dress suits, and each badly in need of a shave, are being sought by the police of several downtown stations. Jacob Werner, of 147 South street, wants the dress suits, and the shirts worn by the men, their pumps and their silk stockings. He isn't so particular about the collars and ties, but they also belong to him.

The men were waiting on the doorstep when Werner opened his store this morning. They explained they wanted to go to a ball and asked for quotations on the hire of the necessary togs. Werner showed them his stock. They were fastidious. After they had picked up the two best suits in the store, shoes, shirts, collars, ties and socks, they asked when payment was to be made.

When the men learned they were to pay at once for the hire of the suits, they went away to get the money. Five minutes later one came back and started an argument about the price. This lasted 10 minutes. Then the telephone bell rang. Werner went to answer it. He was kept busy giving change on a big order to somebody for another 10 minutes.

Werner couldn't find anybody in the store when he got through telephoning so he went into a rear room where the two men had left their dress suits. They had explained they would dress in that room when they came back with the money. Werner found they had already dressed. Their clothes, considerably the worse for wear and tear, were on the floor.

One of the men had forced a rear window, climbed in and got into his suit while the other stood guard. They then the first kept Werner busy on the telephone while the second went back and got his suit. A good description of the men has been given to the police.

Woman Guilty of Woman's Murder

DETROIT, Mich., April 12.—A jury in the case of Mrs. Caroline Becker, 65 years old, charged with the murder of Miss Frances Bombolt, her friend and neighbor, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. The jury deliberated 21 hours, more than a dozen ballots being taken. This is the first case in which a woman has been convicted of this charge in 50 years.

BAN ON 'CUTTING' PUT AT CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Faculty Deprives Students of Self-Government in Matter. The growth of the practice of neglecting classes, called "cutting" in the student vernacular, among the pupils of the Boys' Central High School, has been checked by an order of the Attendance Committee removing the business of keeping attendance records from the hands of the students. The student record keepers were found frequently to be overlooking absences. Now the professors and instructors keep the attendance records and report hourly.

Today 40 students were summoned before the Attendance Committee, found guilty of absenting themselves from classes and sentenced to punishment of from three to five hours' detention. After years of operation of the old system, he said, it was in the fact that today 40 per cent of the total population of the United States live in cities or in urban districts, resulting in an increase in the amount of legislation required by the cities.

Now the roll is called at the beginning of each hour. All absences are reported immediately to the office, which notifies parents of the students. If the parents fail to justify the absence, the student is summoned before the Attendance Committee and duly punished.

Clearing House for Greater Chamber

The movement to obtain a greater Chamber of Commerce in this city found the hearty endorsement of the Philadelphia Clearing House Association at a meeting of the association held today. The clearing house members of the association will co-operate in the development of the commercial, financial and industrial activities of this city, and create a trade body which shall be commensurate with the importance of Philadelphia.

Young Woman Attempts Suicide

Failure to find employment was the reason given by May Leonard, 22 years old, for attempting suicide after she took poison in Baltimore last night. She told the police her home was in Philadelphia. The girl took poison in front of a farmhouse, and was then taken to a hospital. It is believed she will be commensurate with the importance of Philadelphia.

TWO OFFICEHOLDERS OUSTED IN ASHLAND

Borough Councilmen Must Quit by Supreme Court Decision. Two men are ousted from offices in the borough of Ashland, Schuylkill County, by a decision of the Supreme Court, handed down today by Justice Nease. The opinion reverses the findings of the Schuylkill County Common Pleas Court. T. W. Raudenbush and Henry Krapp are the men ousted. Raudenbush, after turning in his resignation as a member of the borough Council, voted on its acceptance. He then nominated Krapp as his successor, voting for him. In each instance the vote would have been a tie without that of Raudenbush, who was elected water superintendent of the borough.

The lower court held that a provision requiring councilmen to serve until their successors are appointed gave Raudenbush the right to vote for his resignation and for the election of Krapp. This reasoning is upset by the Supreme Court by the argument that if Raudenbush had resigned he no longer had the right to vote. The Court contends that his resignation never was made effective, because he had no right to vote on it. Also, as he was and is a member of Council, he had no legal right to obtain another office through the vote of that body.

Mayor Turns Earth FOR PARKWAY WORK

Ceremony Marks Start of Project to Clear Last Section of Right of Way. Mayor Blankenbush turned the first spadeful of earth on the contract that will complete the Parkway between Logan Square and 22d street this afternoon, while hundreds of persons, among them city officials and many persons who have been interested in the Parkway project since its inception, cheered lustily. State Senator James T. McShel, whose company has the contract for this section of the Parkway, was a participant in the ceremony. The Mayor spoke briefly of the Parkway, of the long struggle to realize it, and of the inestimable benefits, both material and cultured, it will bring.

He noted the growing tendency of persons to recognize the importance of beautiful things in the lives of others, not only that they may be made better in heart, but that they may be made more valuable in the ordinary business of life. Others interested in the Parkway movement spoke in praise of the work so far done, commending the Mayor and others for their determined struggling to realize the project.

The contract to wreck 11 buildings in the line of the Parkway near 19th and Arch streets and to remove parts of four others in the path of the Parkway was awarded today to Michael McCullough. He will receive \$400 and the salvage. The buildings to be razed are: Numbers 1901, 1903, 1905, 1907, 1909 and 1911 Arch street, and 1913 North 19th street. The contract for laying 1,050 square feet of curbing along the Northeast boulevard was awarded to the Barber Asphalt Company at \$7250.

ELLEN ADAIR'S FIRST VIEW OF GAY PARADE AT ATLANTIC CITY

Finds "Amateurs" in Fashion Demonstration More Interesting Than Professional Models, Who Didn't Appear. ATLANTIC CITY, April 12.—The spring sunshine shone brightly and the light-hearted men and maidens in the popular seaside resort yesterday, who all the world and his wife enjoy themselves and their spring raiment, the Boardwalk "for to admire and see," and, doubtless, incidentally to be seen and admired themselves.

Viewed with the impartial eyes of one who never before has witnessed the unusual spectacle of a spring "fashion parade" at this gayest of gay cities, it would appear that the lilies of the field were all out in full force—and what they told or not during the week, it is fairly solemn in all his glory was arranged as one of these.

Speaking of a celebrity such as Helen, reminds one that another and in the more greater celebrity was today the celebrated Boardwalk yesterday in the person of Willard, the "hero of a hundred lights rolled into one." His appearance certainly thrilled the enthusiasts of the Sunday pleasure-seekers.

But to return to spring fashions—poet quite underates the case, when he assures us that in the spring a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love. For, far more often than the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love, the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love, the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love, the young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love.

BOWMAN CRICISISES CITY'S BUSINESS WAYS

Director of Municipal Research Bureau Addresses Monday Conference. Extensive administrative control of municipal expenditures and standardized salaries, services, materials and supplies are vital to Philadelphia, according to Ralph Bowman, director of the Bureau of Municipal Research, who delivered an address at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the Curtis Building on "Municipal Housecleaning" before the Monday Legislative Conference.

Mr. Bowman said there was a general lack of uniformity in the fiscal policy of the city, and that appropriations should be simplified. He suggested the adoption by the city of a public improvement program, anticipating present budgets and allocating supplementary appropriations as an unbound business practice. "Public ownership of public utilities," said Mr. Bowman, "today undesirable because of public inefficiency, are surely coming in the next generation."

Franklin Spencer Edmonds, the first speaker, took for his subject "Municipal Home Rule." The basis for such a today, he said, was in the fact that today 40 per cent of the total population of the United States live in cities or in urban districts, resulting in an increase in the amount of legislation required by the cities.

Gertrude Atherton Seriously Ill

NEW YORK, April 12.—Gertrude Atherton, the novelist, is seriously ill at Luke's Hospital. It was thought an immediate operation would be necessary, but Mrs. Atherton's condition is so much improved that this may be avoided.

CHOOSING A SCHOOL FOR YOUR SON OR DAUGHTER

is a very difficult thing to do unless you have personally visited and investigated a large number. In order to help you and save you a great amount of correspondence and tiresome investigation, LEDGER CENTRAL sent out a college graduate to visit schools and colleges. He has spent several months visiting all the best schools in the East, securing all sorts of information at first hand and is qualified to help you find the school best suited to the peculiar needs of your boy or girl, at whatever price you can afford to pay. The service is free, and we suggest that you get in touch with the Bureau at once, as many schools are registering pupils now, and will be filled to capacity before June. Call, write or phone.

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